

WELLS RIVER VALLEY NEWS

GROTON

Very Poor Sugar Season—Deaths, Accidents and Personal.

(Mrs. G. H. Mills, Correspondent.) The sugar-makers report a poor season so far, not much sugar being made yet.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Mills were in Montpelier Friday to attend conference.

Miss Rose Whitehill returned Saturday from Peacham where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Miller.

The seven-weeks old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morrison died Thursday evening. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon, Rev. G. B. Gould officiating. They have one son, Clyde, about eight years old.

Roy Heath was quite badly hurt recently by slipping on the train which he works on as fireman. No bones were broken but he will not be able to work for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Welch of Plainfield visited their son, George, last week.

Miss Louise Lewis was in Montpelier Thursday to attend conference.

Mrs. Hanson of Bolton is visiting in the home of her son, Stovia Hanson.

Mrs. Jennie Crown, who recently fractured her limb is reported comfortable. She is at the home of Mrs. William Ricker in Woodville, N. H.

Mrs. D. H. James was taken sick Friday and is suffering from heart trouble.

Mrs. I. N. Eastman is in a critical condition.

B. S. Eastman is finishing the building adjoining his store that has been used as a horse shed, into a store-room.

Fred Hatch has moved from South Ryegate to O. C. Hatch's farm in the southern part of the town.

Mrs. William Reed and son of Montpelier visited at R. E. Pillsbury's last week.

Rev. P. A. Smith of Westford visited in town Monday. He went from here to Montpelier to attend conference.

Mrs. D. E. Gordon and two children of Hillsboro Bridge are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Blanchard.

Mrs. W. J. Dean returned from Burlington the first of the week and reported her daughter as doing nicely after an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Jack Jones visited her daughter, Mrs. G. W. Whitehill, in St. Johnsbury, the first of last week. Her little granddaughter, Ellen, accompanied her home for a few days' visit.

Miss Laura Waldron of Woodville, N. H., visited Mrs. William Foley recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon of Somerville, Mass., visited their daughter, Mrs. F. A. Scott, last week.

Nat Daniels' house is quarantined for whooping cough.

Mrs. Robert White of Ryegate visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Welch, the first of last week.

Schools in the village and in the south and west parts of the town began their spring term Monday with the same teachers.

Mrs. James Crouse visited in Barre last week.

David Eastman was in Montpelier Friday and Saturday attending the lay electoral conference to which he was a delegate from Groton.

The drama, "Hazel Adams," was played to a large house here Tuesday evening, by a party of young people from West Newbury.

Theresa Carpenter has gone to Groton Pond to work in the boarding house for several weeks.

Miss Nannie Glover returned Saturday from her visit to her brother, Supt. W. F. Glover, near Boston.

Carley Welch has moved his family to Newbury.

Mrs. Inez Welch and children of East Corinth are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ricker.

Mrs. Helen Welch was in Montpelier Saturday and Sunday attending conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pillsbury of

Barre are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Pillsbury, while Mr. Pillsbury is recovering his health after an operation.

Nat Daniels has moved from the Warren Welch place to Eleanor Thurston's tenement on the village hill.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Amos Ralston Tuesday evening.

S. P. Welch has bought M. E. Beckley's house and the garage. He will rent the garage to the same company that is there now.

The Needlecraft met with Mrs. A. W. Coffrin Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Tom White of Ryegate is working at Amos Ralston's.

WELLS RIVER

David Brock Had Leg Amputated—Happenings of the Week.

(Mrs. D. G. Farwell, Correspondent.)

The many friends of David Brock will be sorry to hear that he has had to have a leg amputated half way to the knee. He is resting as comfortably as can be expected.

Robert Brock was in Lyndonville Monday, owing to David Brock's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Chamberlin, who have spent the winter with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Learned, have returned to their home in Spencer, Ia.

The supper given by the Ladies Aid society Friday evening was well attended.

Mrs. Walter Glynn is in Coventry this week with her parents.

N. H. Ricker attended Methodist conference at Montpelier last week. The children of Dr. Ricker of St. Johnsbury enjoyed a day in a sugar camp at Groton with their aunt, Mrs. C. Lillias Warren.

Jacob Bailey is home from Nashua for the Easter vacation.

Miss Florence Pollensby and Mrs. Harry Spaulding have been in Boston for a few days.

Miss Beth Burbeck played two violin solos at the Vesper service Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. William Nelson of Ryegate was a guest of Mrs. Flora Goss Friday and Saturday.

John J. Peach spent the week-end with Dr. R. O. Blood in Concord, N. H.

Miss Maude Davis attended a business meeting of the C. E. Union at McIndoes, Saturday.

Jacob Bailey of Plymouth visited A. T. Davis the first of the week.

Lisle Southworth of Newbury spent a few days lately with Isabelle Miller and her brother, James, visited at Otis Smith's.

Russell Bailey is home from St. Johnsbury academy for the spring recess.

Miss Lillian Marcy was the guest Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Marcy in Newbury.

Herbert Cox left Monday for San Francisco, Cal., and will visit other places enroute.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Dimock of Topsfield were guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bailey.

Miss Cora Cooper of Paris, Me., is visiting her niece, Mrs. Nelson Bailey. The public schools opened Tuesday after a 10 days' recess.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bashore returned to Wells River Sunday after a two months' absence in New York and Philadelphia.

Kimball Marshall is home from a visit to his son, Harry Marshall, in Canaan.

A son was born March 30 to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Crabtree at the Cottage hospital.

Mrs. Carl Moore and Miss Lucille have returned to Roselle Park, N. J.

Ralph Hebb is able to be at work again at the Adams Paper company plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clark are comfortably settled in the new house on Water street.

Mrs. Charles George of Rumney has been visiting at James George's.

Mr. Power has recently moved to rooms at C. D. Marsh's.

Many of the townspeople attended

the last concert in the lecture course at Woodville Tuesday evening.

Miss Davis was hostess to the Woman's Missionary society Tuesday. The leader was Mrs. Daniel Farwell and the topic, "Japan." Curious were on exhibition and Mrs. Elmer Miller of Woodville sang during the social hour, at which time tea was served.

Maldie Perry returned Monday from a visit to her aunt in Barre.

The district deputy, Mrs. Jennie Craig of West Burke, came Tuesday to visit the Arbutus Rebekah lodge.

While in town she was the guest of Mrs. R. G. Perry.

Mrs. Williams, state's attorney, was in town Saturday.

Townspeople are glad of the new bridge which has recently been completed by the Adams Paper company plant.

The next meeting of the Study club is with Mrs. Sherwin, April 24.

SOUTH RYEGATE

(M. C. Hall, Correspondent.)

N. A. Park has purchased the Brock place with four acres of land on Pleasant street.

Elwyn Brock of Littleton, N. H., was in town Thursday and Friday on business connected with selling his aunt's property on Pleasant street to N. A. Park.

Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Cowan of Montpelier spent a few days here the first of the week.

Mrs. M. F. Sargent returned Thursday from a visit to McIndoes Falls, bringing with her Miss Dorothy Nichols.

Miss Elva Townsend of Plainfield is visiting her cousin, Miss Mary Hooker this week.

Miss Maude Harding and Miss Ella Brownell of St. Johnsbury were guests of Mrs. C. M. Libby Wednesday.

Miss Josephine Hardy of St. Johnsbury, who is one of the academy instructors, spent Friday with her college friend, Mrs. John Lytle.

Misses Mary and Caroline Gibson are spending a week's vacation from their studies at St. Johnsbury academy, with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gibson.

Miss Clarissa Gibson and Robert Gibson were over-Sunday visitors of their father, M. H. Gibson.

Fred Hatch moved last week from the brick block tenement to the Oscar Hatch farm in Groton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crowe of Swiftwater, N. H., with their daughter, Dorothy, spent several days the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. George Crowe, Sr.

Mrs. Margaret Darling is visiting her son, Dr. H. G. Darling at Newbury.

O. D. Willey has returned from spending the winter with his son at Montpelier.

Rev. and Mrs. D. M. McKimley went Friday to Newbury to remain a few days.

Rev. S. T. Simpson will take for his subject next Sunday morning the character of Paul and in the evening will speak on the Young Man's Influence.

Mrs. A. T. Beaton and daughter, Barbara, went Tuesday to East Ryegate to spend a week with Mrs. Beaton's parents.

Frank Courtney has finished work at Barre and is home for the present.

MCINDOE FALLS

(J. D. Nichols, Correspondent.)

Miss Mary Gleason returned to Northampton, Mass., Friday morning.

Mrs. M. F. Sargent spent part of last week at the home of C. L. Duncan returning home Friday. Dorothy Nichols accompanied her for a few days' visit.

Merton Little came home from Waterford last week where he has been visiting at the home of his uncle, Wilbur Little, for the past nine weeks.

Duncan Edgerton is at Alex Renfrew's in Ryegate through the sugar season.

Eunice Hastings was not able to return to H. J. Phelps' at Barre Monday morning. She was having tonsillitis.

Mrs. Karl Maynes and little child spent the day Saturday at her sister, Mrs. Jack Winchester's.

Some of the men entertained the ladies at a new sugar and card party at the K. P. hall Friday night.

Tim Covell has moved his family to Enfield, N. H. Orville Skinner has moved into the tenement vacated by the Covells.

Mr. Shute has moved his family back to Monroe. He will work for Em Blanchard.

W. M. Phelps arrived with a carload of horses from Iowa Sunday morning.

Miss Florence Gibson goes this week to Burlington to take the training for a nurse.

Mrs. Allen Tuxbury of Woodville was a guest at O. N. Bedell's Friday.

Miss Elizabeth Peck of St. Johnsbury was the guest of Miss Lawler over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennison of Jefferson, N. H., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Blair.

Mrs. Lydia Kimball is at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Paris, in Lyndon for a visit.

Mrs. Guyman and little son of East Ryegate visited at George Cinnamond's last week.

G. D. Chase of Woodville spent Sunday at the home of Charles Chase. There was a sugar party at the home of Roger Crane Friday night, and Saturday night Walter Strew entertained a few friends.

Jackson Smith broke his leg last week.

Mrs. Clarence Chase is seriously ill with pneumonia. Mrs. John Peck is very sick and remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Strew gave a sugar party Saturday evening at which about 45 were present. Dancing was enjoyed throughout the evening.

Miss Genevieve Flanagan of St. Johnsbury is visiting Mrs. Walter Strew.

EAST RYEGATE

Highway Between Here and McIndoes Flooded—Personal.

(A. G. Bedell, Correspondent.)

The high water has rendered the strip of road on Humphrey's meadow impassable so that teams have to go over the hill to McIndoes. This hill is very rough and so hilly that most of the men from McIndoes and Monroe either walk to their work here or come by train.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bedell spent Thursday in St. Johnsbury.

Miss Kate Carbee finished work at G. B. Wallace's and returned to her home in Passumpsic Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Brown of Essex, N. Y., came Friday for a visit to the brother, M. C. Brown, and family.

F. J. Tewksbury and Fred Doe of South Ryegate were at W. S. Lackie's part of last week remodeling the kitchen.

The community sing Thursday night was well attended. The special music consisted of a selection by F. H. Powers, Rupert Franklin and Miss Anderson, a song by the Grammar school and a piano solo by Dorothy Waller.

Malvern Cutting of Concord is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. C. M. Wallace, for a few days.

Mrs. Gymer and son were guests of her brother, George Cinnamond, at McIndoes Wednesday night, returning Thursday accompanied by Mrs. Cinnamond, who spent the day in town.

C. M. Wallace spent Saturday in St. Johnsbury.

Mrs. Waterhouse returned home Saturday from Monroe, N. H., where she had been on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Nell Sanborn.

Merrill Gibson spent the week-end with his brother, J. C. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hayes of Guildhall are visiting their sons, R. S. and G. H. Hayes.

Verna Franklin of South Newbury is visiting at her uncle, George Franklin's.

Orpha Bedell was ill a few days the first of the week and unable to return to her school duties.

(Iva M. Anderson, Correspondent.)

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith were in St. Johnsbury Thursday.

Mrs. Clark and little daughter, Jeanette, of Wells River were the guests of Mrs. L. C. Gardner Wednesday of last week.

Tuesday evening Rupert Franklin and J. R. Alger were in Woodville on business.

Last Friday evening Iva Anderson and Mrs. George Franklin and daughter Dorothy went to Newbury to attend the play, "Between Two Lives."

Franklin remained over Sunday, while Dorothy and Iva returned Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jolliffe and son Merrill were in St. Johnsbury Wednesday, returning Thursday, and bringing with them their nephew, Mr. Mitchell.

Mrs. H. H. W. Smith is suffering greatly from poison ivy.

J. R. Alger went to St. Johnsbury for treatment for a badly wounded hand, and Seth Blodgett is taking his place as station agent.

Saturday Miss Ruth Cowan of Lyndon institute came home, but returned Saturday evening.

Miss Clara Waterhouse is home from St. Johnsbury academy for her Easter vacation.

Church was held in the evening Sunday and a large congregation was present.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Gardner and little son, Gerald, went Saturday to Mrs. Gardner's home at Passumpsic. They returned Monday morning, bringing the other little son, Vernard, with them.

Ralph Gymer was badly hurt while at his work in the mill Sunday.

George Anderson and Mrs. J. F. Devins were at Woodville Saturday.

Mrs. C. H. W. Wilson returned from her daughter's home at Rouses Point, N. Y., Saturday and brought back with her her little daughter, Eleanor, who has been staying with her sister, Mrs. Fred Robinson.

Mrs. William Lackie and Mrs. Henry Gilfillan were at Ryegate Corner one day last week.

MONROE

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nelson Celebrated Their Golden Wedding.

(Mabel Frazer, Correspondent.)

About 175 relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nelson gathered at the Grange hall last Wednesday evening to help them celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. The hall was very prettily decorated with evergreen and yellow crepe paper. A short program was given as follows: Instrumental duet, Misses Beattie and Frazer; prayer, Rev. D. E. Burns; song, Howard Gould; reading, Mrs. Grace Blair; song, "Dear Heart We're Growing Old," Misses Ruby, Hazel, Lois Beattie and Charles and Howard Gould. After the program Rev. D. E. Burns presented the couple with about \$80 from relatives and friends and \$50 in gold from his son, Clinton Nelson.

Remarks were made by Oscar Fraser and a poem written for the occasion by Mrs. Trumppass of Woodville was read by Miss Agnes Hall. An oyster supper was served after which promenading and dancing were enjoyed.

Those in out of town to attend were Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Nelson of Woodville; Peabody Gould and sons, Howard and Charles, of Lisbon; Mr. and Mrs. Southard, Rupert and Suna Southard of Woodville; Mrs. Ella Amy of Lisbon; Mr. and Mrs. John Lang and daughter of Kirby; Mrs. Shennan Lang of Lyndonville; Miss Jennie Buffum and Mrs. Alvin Wood of St. Johnsbury.

The four-act play, "The Old Oaken Bucket," will be presented by Monroe Grange at Academy hall, McIndoes, Friday evening, Apr. 7. Music will be furnished by Misses Quimby and King.

Mrs. Lee English and son Ralph have returned to their home in Chicago after spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Duncan.

Mrs. Ella Amy of Lisbon visited her sister, Mrs. Emily Cross, part of last week.

Mrs. Jennie Buffum of St. Johnsbury was a visitor at Robert Beattie's last week.

Mrs. Alvin Wood and two sons of St. Johnsbury spent part of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harding.

Rev. D. E. Burns is attending conference at Manchester this week.

Mrs. Jane Whitcomb is working at Horace Duncan's.

Mrs. Henry Root has returned from White River Junction where she has been nursing.

Mary Fisher has returned to her school in Ryegate.

Miss Mary Goodwin has finished work for Daniel Gilchrist and is with her sister, Mrs. Ellsworth Blair, at North Monroe.

Miss Jessie Blodgett of Lancaster is working at Ray Powers'.

Charles and Howard Gould of Lisbon were guests at Robert Beattie's part of last week.

Mrs. Fred Wright and Miss Gladys Livingston of St. Johnsbury, Mrs. Dick Wright and daughter Nellie of Passumpsic, and Benjamin Wright of Adirondack, spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Luke Cross.

EAST BARNET

Horse Killed On a Live Wire—The Late John P. Morse.

(Mrs. C. W. Tilton, Correspondent.)

As Andrew Menard was driving to St. Johnsbury Saturday evening with Fred Champany's team the horse stepped on a live electric wire and was instantly killed.

John Peach Morse passed away Monday afternoon, Mar. 27, at 1:30 o'clock, after a long illness. Mr. Morse was born in Newbury, July 23, 1829, the son of Aaron and Jane Peach Morse. He was one of the family of six children, two of whom now survive him, Alex Morse of Newbury, and Mrs. D. R. Huse of this place. When he was 21 years of age he came here from Newbury and has spent the rest of his life in Waterford and East Barnet.

On Sept. 2, 1858 he was united in marriage with Nancy Maria Sinclair at Wells River. Four children were born to them, John Albert, who died Mar. 7, 1862, Helen Agnes, who died Feb. 26, 1871, Grace Belle, wife of Thomas Mason of Orford, N. H., and Mary Sinclair, wife of Egbert S. Kendall of this place. Frank A. Constantine now of St. Johnsbury, a nephew of Mrs. John Morse, came to live with Mr. and Mrs. Morse, at the age of five years and lived with them until he grew to manhood. Mr. and Mrs. Morse lived for many years on the farm now owned by Roy Brothers, one mile from East Barnet on the Connecticut river. September 2, 1908, Mr. and Mrs. Morse celebrated their golden wedding, surrounded by their children and a score of friends. Uncle John, as he was called by friends, took great pride in doing his work, and work for others with his oxen. He was of hardy pioneer stock and was seldom sick. He was a good neighbor and always ready to lend a helping hand. In 1911 Mr. and Mrs. Morse came to live with their daughter, Mrs. Egbert S. Kendall. Mrs. Morse died April 23, 1912. Since that time he has been cared for by his daughters, Mrs. Egbert Kendall and Mrs. Thomas Mason. The funeral was held at the chapel at one o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. W. C. Clark officiating. The singers

were a mixed quartet from Barre. The floral offerings were beautiful. The interment was at Barre cemetery in the family lot. Those from out of town to attend the funeral were Alex Morse and Adalade James of Newbury, Mrs. Chester Carpenter of Littleton, N. H., Mrs. Clayton Foster of Bath, N. H., Mrs. George Clark of Groton, and Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Constantine and William Brennan of St. Johnsbury.

Harold Gammell, who has spent the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gammell, returned to his school in Middlebury, Sunday.

Ed Moore of Hanover, N. H., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore.

The W. C. T. U. meeting will be held in the chapel Thursday afternoon.

Miss Bech Hoffman of Lyndon was the guest of her sisters, Mrs. Helen Gammell, Mrs. Ed Newell and Anna Hoffman over the week-end.

There will be a dinner at the chapel Thursday, April 6, the proceeds to go to pay for the street lights.

The schools in town will open Monday, April 17.

Freeman Pettis has moved his family from Copenhagen to McIndoes. Mr. Pettis will work for Chase Brothers.

Mrs. Helen Gammell and son Edwin spent Thursday in Lyndonville with Mrs. Annie Shony.

Nelson Amell, Jr., of Briggs, is spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Amell.

Miss Pettigill of Danville has been visiting Mrs. James Hatch for a few days.

Mrs. Elmer Roy and daughter, Dorothy, spent Saturday in St. Johnsbury.

AMUSEMENTS

"September Morn" At The Colonial This Evening.

"September Morn" at The Colonial tonight with its half hundred talented artists including a chorus of remarkably pretty girls composing one of the best singing and dancing ensembles ever offered in musical comedy. Full runs rampant in "September Morn" from the first curtain and entrance of that splendid fun-maker, Carl George, who has the part of his life and who is ably assisted by a cast of representative musical comedy purveyors. This is LeComte and Flesher's biggest production and they have fairly outdone themselves in casting and mounting this popular merry affair.

Ruth Wilkerson, chick and charming, imbues "September Morn" with an airy freshness that is charming. Cur Vance, James Baber, J. J. Patton, and Walter M. Wellitt are also members of this company, along with the other favorites who were recently seen in the various happy parts in "September Morn" at the LaSalle Opera House, Chicago.